

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-6 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): A brake cable connecting apparatus for a drum brake device, comprising:

a brake lever, a proximal portion thereof is superposed and pivotally supported on a brake shoe so as to move at least one brake shoe outwardly, a U-shaped groove is formed in a distal portion thereof, and a primary seating is provided around a bottom of the U-shaped groove at a cable releasing side so as to face a shoe rim of the brake shoe; and

a brake cable, an inner cable thereof retained in received into the U-shaped groove, and a cable end fitting thereof, fixed on one end of the inner cable, is seated on the primary seating, wherein

a secondary seating of the brake lever, on which the cable end fitting is temporarily seated, is provided around an opening of the U-shaped groove of the brake lever at both the cable releasing side and an opening side of the U-shaped groove and also provided at a portion apart from the primary seating, on which the cable end fitting is temporarily seated so as to face the shoe rim of the brake shoe; and

a cable disengagement prevention configuration, is provided between the primary seating and the secondary seating, said configuration allows so as to allow the cable end fitting to pass between from the secondary seating to the primary and secondary seatings seating only upon when rotating the brake lever prevents is rotated to prevent the cable end fitting from passing between from the primary and seating to the secondary seatings seating upon not rotating the brake lever when the brake lever is not rotated.

2. (Original): The cable connecting apparatus for the drum brake device according to Claim 1, wherein

the cable disengagement prevention configuration is composed of the brake lever and the brake shoe.

3. (Currently Amended): The cable connecting apparatus for the drum brake device according to Claim 2, wherein

the cable disengagement prevention configuration is composed of the brake lever and a the shoe rim of the brake shoe.

4. (Original): The cable connecting apparatus for the drum brake device according to Claim 1, wherein

the primary seating and the secondary seating of the brake lever are together formed in a step-like surface.

5. (Original): The cable connecting apparatus for the drum brake device according to Claim 2, wherein

the primary seating and the secondary seating of the brake lever are together formed in a step-like surface.

6. (Original): The cable connecting apparatus for the drum brake device according to Claim 3, wherein

the primary seating and the secondary seating of the brake lever are together formed in a step-like surface.